IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Susanne Piontek, et al.

Serial No.: 10/564,456

Filed: January 12, 2006

For: SOLID PIGMENT PREPARATIONS AND DISPERSIONS THEREOF IN ORGANIC SOLVENTS, THEIR PREPARATION AND USE Group Art Unit:

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Examiner: Shuangyi Abu Ali

Confirmation No.: 8976

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence is being submitted by EFS-Web as an efiled Response, addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on Friday, March 20, 2009.

/ChristineMDavenport/ Christine M. Davenport

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action of December 24, 2008, wherein pending claims 1-6 and 9-12 were rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. However, Applicants hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended the number of months necessary to render the attached communication timely if a petition is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account 23-3425 any fees necessary for entry of this amendment and/or extension of time.

Please make the following amendments to the Application as set forth below.